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IN THE UNITED STATES
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Patent Application of: **Luehmann, et al.**

Serial No.: **10/041898**

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For: **Purified Water Supply System For High
Demand Devices and Applications**

Customer No.: **24994**

Group Art No: **1723**

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Commissioner For Patents
Washington, DC 20231

PETITION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 116 AND 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a)

Sir,

Applicants respectfully submit this Petition under 35 U.S.C. 116 and 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a) for making the above-identified patent application by three joint inventors on behalf of themselves and a nonsigning inventor.

Mr. Johnny W. Hannah is considered one of four joint inventors under 35 U.S.C. 116 for the above-identified invention. Applicants have made diligent effort to reach Mr. Hannah for obtaining his executed oath or declaration as a joint inventor. In the period between January 8, 2002 and March 19, 2002, Applicants' representative sent five packages containing copies of the as-filed patent application, the unexecuted Declaration, Power of Attorney, and Assignment forms to Mr. Hannah via express mail provided either by Airborne or the U.S. Postal Service. During the same period, the Counsel of Record had had at least two telephone conversations with Mr. Hannah. In the last telephone conversation on March 18, 2002, Mr. Hannah made clear statements that he refused to join the application and would not sign the Declaration and Assignment.

Applicants have determined that it is necessary to file this Petition under 35 U.S.C. 116 and 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a). Applicants hereby respectfully petition that the above-identified patent application be made by Mr. Luehmann, Mr. Mullins, and Mr. Bielefeld, the three joint inventors,

on behalf of themselves and on behalf of Mr. Hannah, the nonsigning inventor. Please charge the \$130.00 Patent Petition Fee (set forth in §1.17(h)) and any other fees applicable to the filing of this petition to deposit account no. 03-2316. Please note that Mr. Hannah's last known address is 6920 Crossroads Lane, Timberville, VA 22853-2344, U.S.A.

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